

Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 5, please replace the paragraph that starts on line 6 with the following amended paragraph:

Fig. 1 is an exploded perspective view of an orthodontic appliance constructed in accordance with one embodiment of the present invention, looking at the appliance toward its mesial, buccolabial and gingival sides;

On page 10, please replace the paragraph that starts on line 6 with the following amended paragraph:

The leg section 60 is resilient and movable away from the third section 50 in order to admit the post 34 into the recess 62. Optionally, the fourth section 58 is also resilient. During manufacture of the appliance 20, the clip 42 is urged in an occlusal direction (or alternatively or in addition the body 24 is moved in a gingival direction) such that the post 34 comes into contact with the portion of the outer curved edge of the end section 64 that is nearest the third section 50. As continued pressure is exerted on the clip 42, the leg section 60 deflects outwardly and away from the third section 50 and enables the post 34 to be received in the recess 62.